

1000 METHODISTS WANTED FOR WAR Minister at Conference Waves Flag and Calls for Religious Volunteers

BIRTH CONTROL ASSAILED

An enthusiastic demonstration of patriotism broke forth at the conference of the Laymen's Association of the Methodist Church this afternoon in the Lehigh Avenue Baptist Church, Twelfth street and Lehigh...

THE RESOLUTION The meeting then unanimously adopted the following resolution: "Whereas, War between the United States and Germany is possible, we the Laymen's Association of the Philadelphia Conference, with more than 100,000 members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and more than 4,000,000 in the United States, which Church during the war, according to President Lincoln, sent more men to the front and more prayers to Heaven, hereby send hearty greetings to President Wilson assuring him of our warmest sympathy and prayers that he may be divinely guided and sustained in the affairs entrusted to him by the American people."

AGAINST BIRTH CONTROL Women who travel about the country spreading birth control propaganda were denounced by Albert E. Turner, the retiring president, in the course of a brief address. "If Mrs. Franklin had believed in birth control," he said, "we would never have had a Benjamin Franklin."

PLEA FOR RURAL CHURCH MADE IN CONFERENCE A plea for better country churches was made today at the Philadelphia Methodist Conference at the Cookman Methodist Episcopal Church by the Rev. Dr. G. B. Burns, superintendent of the western district, following his annual report. Doctor Burns said: "One cause of weakness in the rural church is its use as a stepping-stone, thus giving no permanency for the formation of a constructive program. Hence the minister does not become a community force."

VON BERNSTORFF DEFENDS HIS MEXICAN PLOTTING

Banished Envoy Now Acknowledges Sending Zimmermann Letter to

BERLIN, March 16.—Count von Bernstorff, former German Ambassador to the United States, issued a public statement today, defending his action in transmitting the Zimmermann note to Von Eckhardt, the German Minister in Mexico, urging Carranza to declare war on the United States. Count von Bernstorff declared that the note was transmitted because in the event of war being declared between the United States and Germany it would have been impossible to transmit it.

With the same clearness, the instructions regarding Mexico said that the Minister should make no use of them before he had certain knowledge that the United States had declared war on Germany. "In view of this, it becomes evident that the Mexican Government never would have known anything of our intentions if the United States did not declare war on us. I believe it would be hardly possible to have acted in a more correct manner. The fact that Germany contemplated taking measures at all, in order to parry a blow expected from the United States, was not only her good right, but simply her duty to the German nation. This will be understood after cool deliberation by every fair-minded person."

JUDGE WARNS NEW CITIZENS Judge J. Whitaker Thompson impressed seventy-five alien seeking naturalization in the United States District Court today that they not only pledged themselves to support the United States by so doing, but that they committed themselves to the extent of taking up arms against their mother country, if necessary. The future citizens promised support. Among the German subjects to be granted final papers were the Rev. Joseph Koehnberg, professor of church history in St. Vincent's Seminary. When Chief Examiner Shoemaker asked the priest if he would fight against Germany, the clergyman answered "I will."

Police Court Chronicle A man who wanted the earth and was dissatisfied even after he got it is in our midst. He had evidently been reading of the ambitions of various European rulers, who yearned to increase their possessions, so he decided to foot them all by taking the universe under his wing. The man who made this daring move is "Bill" Hager. He was strolling along Market street when the earth in question was resting on its axis in the doorway of a school supply store. It was a very pretty looking globe, with varicolored maps and islands spread artistically over its surface. As "Bill" gazed at it he could not fancy see the Allies chasing the Germans through France. He also speculated as to what spots in the Atlantic were dotted with murder boats. He was fascinated, and in order to give the subject deeper thought he embraced the nonrevolving earth and hoisted it on his back. He was towing it down Market street in zigzag fashion, when a policeman saw him and the earth at the same time. The red nose of Bill and his somewhat worldly face convinced the cop that he was not a student. "What are you doing with the world?" asked the bluecoat. "I brought it for the kids, so they could study their lessons," said Bill. But it so happened that the policeman knew Bill was single. The cop brought him before Magistrate Stevenson for an explanation. "Now I'll tell you, Judge," said Hager. "I wuz goin' to start out on a little leek-shure tour an' I wuz goin' to use the earth to bring out my points."

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COMMERCE CHAMBER PREPARES FOR STRIKE

Officials Discuss Transportation of Food—Recognize Situation Is Very Serious

The Chamber of Commerce started this afternoon to prepare for the railroad strike, called for tomorrow night. President Trietz, Secretary Kelly, Coleman Sellers, chairman of the transportation committee, and George Wilson, head of the Transportation Bureau of the organization, held a conference at noon.

It was later said that fears that the strike would paralyze the transportation of food to this city was the main topic of the lengthy conference. Members of the members' council started at once to find out how many motortrucks can be used for food transportation and how many former railroad men are available to take the place of strikers. Many of the roads, it was stated, have pledged themselves to give all their available forces to the movement of foodstuffs, but fear the situation will develop more seriously than anticipated. One of the officials of the Motortruck Association will meet Sellers this afternoon to discuss the subject of how many trucks can be commandeered. Secretary Kelly said that there is plenty of grain in the city, but little flour. Other staples, such as butter, eggs and potatoes, are also scarce.

PART OF GERMAN LOAN TO HAVE YEAR EXTENSION

A very large part of the German \$100,000,000 five per cent treasury loan, which matured on April 1, will be extended for one year and the notes which are not so extended will be paid off at maturity. While no official announcement along this line was forthcoming from Chrysler & Co., Inc., which first placed the loan for the German Government, it was the general understanding in the financial district that the notes would be disposed of in this way. The loan, which was the second placed in this country by the German Government, the first running for nine months and the last for one year, and both being for \$10,000,000, was for commercial purposes only. Holders of a large part of the loan, it is understood, have agreed to extend their notes for one year.

Engineer Held for Negroes' Deaths Held criminally negligent in causing the death of two negroes who were scalded last Sunday while cleaning the boiler in the Panstock Building, 1240 Cherry street, the engineer, Elmer Brown, thirty-seven years old, of 2414 Master street, was committed without bail for the grand jury by coroner tonight today at the inquest. The two men, Robert Vancliff, twenty years old, of 1230 Wood street, and James A. Smith, twenty-three years old, of 1210 Mellon street, according to testimony, were called in to work on Sunday to help clean the boiler. While they were doing this Brown turned on the steam.

Do you want a clear skin? Resinol Soap If your skin is not fresh, smooth and glowing, or has suffered from an unwise use of cosmetics, here is an easy, inexpensive way to clear it: Spread on a little Resinol Ointment, letting it remain for ten minutes. Then wash off with hot water. Finish with a dash of clear, cold water to close the pores. Do this regularly, once a day, and see if it does not quickly soothe, clear, and leave the complexion clear, fresh and velvety. Resinol Soap and Resinol Ointment are sold by all druggists.

PRIZES FOR CARICATURES AWARDED TO STUDENTS

Five-Dollar Gold Piece Won by Burlesque of Hopkins's Painting, "Market Day"

Prizes for the best caricatures shown at the Caricature Exhibition held by the students of the Academy of the Fine Arts were awarded this afternoon by three guards of the Academy, who passed judgment on paintings and sculpture, the work of students' caricature classes exhibited at the annual exhibition of the Academy of the Fine Arts. The first prize, a \$5 gold piece, was awarded to Miss Jean Higman for her caricature of "Market Day," a painting by James R. Hopkins; second prize, a silver dollar, was given to Miss Ruth A. Wilbur, who offered a burlesque on Sidney E. Dickinson's "The Beggar," while the last prize, consisting of one cent, was won by Frank L. Jirouch, with a burlesque on a piece of sculpture of Louis Allen.

BONAR LAW APPEALS TO IRISH PATRIOTISM

Chancellor Declares Continued Opposition Will Compel Call of General Election

LONDON, March 16.—"If the Irish party members continue their opposition to the Lloyd George Government a general election will be forced and England's activity in the war will be paralyzed," Chancellor of the Exchequer Bonar Law said in the House of Commons today. He appealed eloquently to all Irish members to join in negotiations designed to effect a settlement of the Irish question.

Appointed to City Positions City appointments today include Frank A. Frumento, 814 Bannbridge street, special inspector Health and Charities, salary \$1080; Edgar P. Homer, 2101 West Susquehanna avenue, assistant teacher Board of Recreation, \$780, and John Loran, 1685 Hawthorne street, special officer Bureau of Charities, \$800.

SUPERIOR COURT HANDS DOWN MANY DECISIONS

List Includes Large Number Appealed From Common Pleas and Municipal Courts of Philadelphia

HARRISBURG, March 16.—The Superior Court concluded its sitting here today to meet in Pittsburgh April 9, after handing down the following decisions: Humbill vs. Enterprise Lodge, B. of L. P. and E. C. P. No. 2, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Griller vs. Browowski, C. P. No. 4, Philadelphia. Reversed. Horwitz vs. Wohlmut, M. C. Philadelphia. Dismissed. Schwandt vs. Schwandt, C. P. Philadelphia. Affirmed. Shannon vs. America Iron and Steel Company, P. No. 5, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Sander vs. Grand Fraternity, C. P. No. 5, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Swift & Co. vs. Haffeligh & Co., C. P. No. 4, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Newberger vs. Central Trust et al., M. C. Philadelphia. Reversed. Leiber-Louise Company vs. Central Trust and Savings Company, C. P. No. 2, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Matusch vs. Winkelman Company, M. C. Philadelphia. Affirmed.

Formosa and Broderick Company vs. C. P. No. 1, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Goujine vs. Gross, M. C. Philadelphia. Reversed. Wright vs. Wright, trust company, C. P. No. 1, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Abbott's Dairies vs. Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, M. C. Philadelphia. Reversed. Bennett vs. North Philadelphia Trust Company, C. P. No. 8, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Newhoff vs. Rochester, C. P. No. 4, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Crandall vs. Crandall, C. P. No. 4, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Commonwealth vs. Heldenrich, C. P. No. 2, Philadelphia. Reversed. Keiser vs. Gorman, C. P. Schuykill. Affirmed. Wood vs. Philadelphia Civil Service Commission, C. P. No. 4, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Kleinman vs. Pennsylvania Railroad, C. P. No. 2, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Rose vs. Negro, M. C. Philadelphia. Affirmed. Nalle vs. St. Anthony Relief Society, M. C. Philadelphia. Affirmed. Panther Valley Water Company vs. Coalbrook, C. P. No. 1, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Pontius vs. Pontius, C. P. No. 1, Philadelphia. Affirmed. Wilcox et al. vs. O. C. Philadelphia. Reversed. Philadelphia appeal, Q. S. Philadelphia. Affirmed.

"Tyrants Transformed Into Skunks"

The contemptible plan of malicious slander to injure the sale of CAMEL cigarettes has been exposed. Such an insult to the intelligence of Mr. Jobber, Mr. Dealer and Mr. Smoker has been rightfully resented. That great force of justice and fairness that the average man always upholds still prevails.

Some say those responsible for this malicious slander once forced their way by biting and clawing the trade. Since having their teeth and claws pulled out, and realizing their inability to longer continue biting and scratching, they put on gum shoes, transformed themselves from tyrants into skunks, and are fighting by using their fetid odor to destroy a great brand which has won the confidence of the public.

Now that the object of these low-down tactics of lying to injure the sale of CAMEL cigarettes is known to the trade and consumer, it is acting like a boomerang, and the hides of these skunks, as they are called by some, are now being pierced by their own malicious slander.

We know from facts in our possession whose employees are circulating the damaging falsehoods about CAMEL cigarettes.

Here's Why They Are Doing It

The purity and delightfulness of CAMEL cigarettes have made them the largest selling brand of cigarettes in the world. We sold over four billions more CAMELS in the year 1916 than we sold in the year 1915. Think of that wonderful increase—a gain of four billions in one year! We have already sold over one billion more CAMELS during 1917 than we sold for the corresponding period of 1916. These record-breaking increases were made unassisted by coupons or premiums—standing alone on purity and delightfulness. Our increase alone in the sale of CAMEL cigarettes is more than the total sales of any other brand of cigarettes for the period stated.

What more positive testimonial of the purity and delightfulness of CAMEL cigarettes could be furnished than this tremendous and steady increase in their sales? Smokers will not permit themselves to be prejudiced against CAMEL cigarettes, to give up a brand that has brought them so much pleasure, now that they know that only envy and jealousy were the foundation for the malicious falsehoods put into circulation for the purpose of injuring the sale of CAMEL cigarettes.

CAMEL cigarettes are pure and they are delightful. We invite comparison with any cigarette in the world, at any price, and welcome fair and aboveboard competition from any manufacturer.

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